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## News Release

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### **DOW continues progress on Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water Systems Improvements Project Historic Hanapepe Bridge reopens to motorists today**

HANAPEPE– The Department of Water (DOW) is pleased to announce the reopening of the Historic Hanapepe Bridge on Hanapepe Road to all; including motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians, this morning. Bridge access was previously limited to pedestrians and bicyclists during the design and construction work, as part of the DOW's Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water Systems Improvement Project.

“We would like to thank the west side community for their patience and cooperation as we worked diligently during this process to reopen the bridge for the community,” said Dustin Moises, DOW's Chief of Construction Management. “Minimizing project impacts for the area remains our top priority, and as we continue progress onto the next phase of scheduled waterline improvements in Hanapepe town and in Ele'ele, our teams will do our best to ensure public safety, reduce traffic delays and keep our customers informed of scheduled water service disruptions as we work to complete the project this summer.”

As construction work continues on Hanapepe Road, intermittent closures of the bridge are anticipated. Motorists are advised to slow down when driving on Hanapepe Road and adhere to all posted traffic and safety signs.

The Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water System Improvements Project is part of the DOW's comprehensive long-range plan to replace aging infrastructure and interconnect the Hanapepe and Ele'ele water systems to improve reliability and resiliency of the systems for our customers. The Project has been active since September 2018 and has completed integral waterline installations in Hanapepe and Ele'ele; including the recent refurbishment of a booster pump station in Ele'ele. DOW continues its progress with upcoming work that will include; installation of a 16-inch main line along Kaumuali'i highway, a new 6-inch main line replacement on Hanapepe Road and installing appurtenances that includes additional 12-inch and 8-inch main lines, connections to existing waterlines, new service laterals, new water meters and boxes, new valves, new fire hydrants and other restoration and repaving work. Work is being conducted by DOW contractor is Goodfellow Bros., LLC and Construction Manager, R.M. Towill Corporation.

For more information on the Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water Systems Improvements Project, please call the Department of Water at 245-5461.

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Photo captions (1 & 2): Crews from Goodfellow Bros., LLC (DOW's contractor) work on improvements along Hanapepe Road and on the Historic Hanapepe Bridge, as part of the Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water Systems Improvements Project





Photo caption (left): Installation of the bases for the delineators were completed on Feb. 26th; outlining the alternate pedestrian access path on the one-lane Historic Hanapepe Bridge.



Photo caption (above): Final installation of the delineators, paving and concrete work completed. The bridge is now open to the public beginning today, Feb. 28.

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